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TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS  
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**Minutes**

**Tennessee State Board of Barber Examiners  
Monday March 31, 2014, – 10:00 A.M. CST  
Conference Room 1-A  
Davy Crockett Tower  
Nashville, Tennessee**

The Tennessee State Board of Barber Examiners (“Board”) held a teleconference meeting on March 31, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. in Nashville, Tennessee.

The following Board members participated in the meeting via electronic means: J.B. Loring, President, Donald Collins, Larry High and Ron Gillihan. A quorum of the Board was present for this meeting.

Others present: Roxana Gumucio, Executive Director for the Board, and Chris Whittaker, Assistant General Counsel for the Board.

This public meeting was properly noticed on the Board’s website.

Roll call was taken by Mr. Whittaker, and the meeting was called to order.

In light of the Board’s finding that the public health, safety, and welfare required the summary suspension of Mr. Edwards’ master barber license on March 24, 2014, and the requirement under the UAPA to offer Mr. Edwards an informal conference regarding his summary suspension within seven (7) days of such suspension, the Tennessee Board of Barber Examiners hereby finds that necessity exists to hold an electronic meeting by telephone on March 31, 2014, to determine whether the summary suspension of Mr. Edwards’ license should remain in place pending a formal hearing under the UAPA for revocation or other action against his master barber license.

Determination of necessity for an electronic meeting was approved by roll call unanimously by all four (4) Board members.

After some discussion and deliberation, all four (4) Board members voted for formal hearing to be held, and all four voted to leave the summary suspension in place pending formal hearing in the interest of continuing to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

Based on previous discussions, Mr. Whittaker advised the Board members that Mr. Edwards wished to address the Board. Mr. Edwards requested that the Board consider moving forward with the revocation of his license for two (2) years after which time he could reapply to the board to get his license back.

Mr. Whittaker explained that the request by Mr. Edwards is to not have a formal hearing, to accept the voluntary revocation of his master barber/instructor license for a minimum of two (2) years, and to allow him to apply to the Board for reinstatement of his license at any time after his license had been revoked for at least two (2) years. The voluntary revocation and 2 years would begin the date the Consent Order is signed. Mr. Edwards stated that he understood that the Board members in place at whatever future time he might apply for license reinstatement in the future would be under no obligation to reinstate his license simply because he applied for reinstatement.

Board President J.B. Loring asked Mr. Edwards if he was admitting to the allegations in the complaint and in the Order of Summary Suspension entered by the Board on 3/24/2014. Mr. Edwards stated that yes, he admitted to the allegations, apologized for his actions, and explained he wants to move past this.

By roll call, all four (4) Board members agreed to offer Mr. Edwards a Consent Order incorporating the two (2) year revocation of Mr. Edwards master barber/instructor license as set forth above.

With no further business before the Board, all four (4) Board members voted and adjourned the meeting at 10:30 A.M.